



# Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Plan (PROS)

## PROS Resources and Needs Assessment

### Community Involvement Process

#### *Combined Park and Open Space Analysis; Recreation Program Analysis; and Financial Analysis*

1. Random surveys, representative of all locations, ages, ethnicities, races, and sex
  - a. Results
    - i. Identify needs
    - ii. Identify priorities
    - iii. Identify opinions
  - b. Topics
    - i. Parks and Open Space
    - ii. Pathways
    - iii. Recreation (facilities and programs)
    - iv. Funding
2. Survey of youth
  - a. Middle School
  - b. High School
3. Stakeholder interviews with identified community leaders
  - a. Wichita City Council Members
  - b. Sedgwick County Commissioners
  - c. Other contributing municipality elected officials
4. Internet survey
5. Display at the River Festival with questionnaires?
6. Focus groups
  - a. Persons with physical disabilities
  - b. Developers and realtors
  - c. Maintenance staff
  - d. Recreation organizations
  - e. Conservation organizations
  - f. Employers and economic entities
  - g. Wellness and healthcare organizations
  - h. Other contributing municipality elected officials and planning commissions

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#### 7. Questionnaires

- a. Organized sports
- b. At various local speaking engagements



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### *Trends Analysis Process*

#### **Trends Analysis**

1. Visioneering Wichita
2. Wichita-Sedgwick County Comprehensive Plan
  - a. Area Plans
  - b. Neighborhood Plans
3. Demographic trends
4. Development trends
5. Economic trends
6. Other surveys and reports
7. Other Sedgwick County municipalities park and recreation developments  
Sedgwick County park and recreation plans
8. Private park, recreation, and open space developments – nation and Wichita
9. Health and wellness trends

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**Park and Open Space Analysis**

1. Inventory of park and open space (private, municipal, county, and state)
  - a. Develop classifications for the PROS plan process
  - b. Conduct inventory
2. Parks evaluations
  - a. Park amenity inventory (excluding buildings and facilities)
  - b. Park amenity evaluation (excluding buildings and facilities)
3. Natural areas evaluations
  - a. Develop a rating system
  - b. Evaluate condition of significant natural habitats and features in City-owned parks
4. Natural resources inventory of study area
5. Inventory of historic parks and park features
6. Survey of comparative communities
7. Key findings

**Pathways**

1. Inventory of pathways
2. Assessment of pathways
  - a. Pathways inventory
  - b. Evaluate pathways conditions
3. Survey of comparative communities
4. Key findings

**Recreation (facilities and programs) Program Analysis**

1. Inventory of recreation facilities
2. Assess condition of recreation facilities
3. Inventory of recreation programs
4. Assessment of recreation facilities and programs
5. Economic benefits of recreation calculation
6. Description of program costs
7. Key findings

**Financial Analysis**

1. Quantified community benefits of parks
2. Maintenance costs
3. Capital costs
4. Revenue
5. Funding
6. Key findings
7. Programming costs for recreation

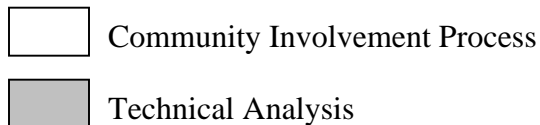
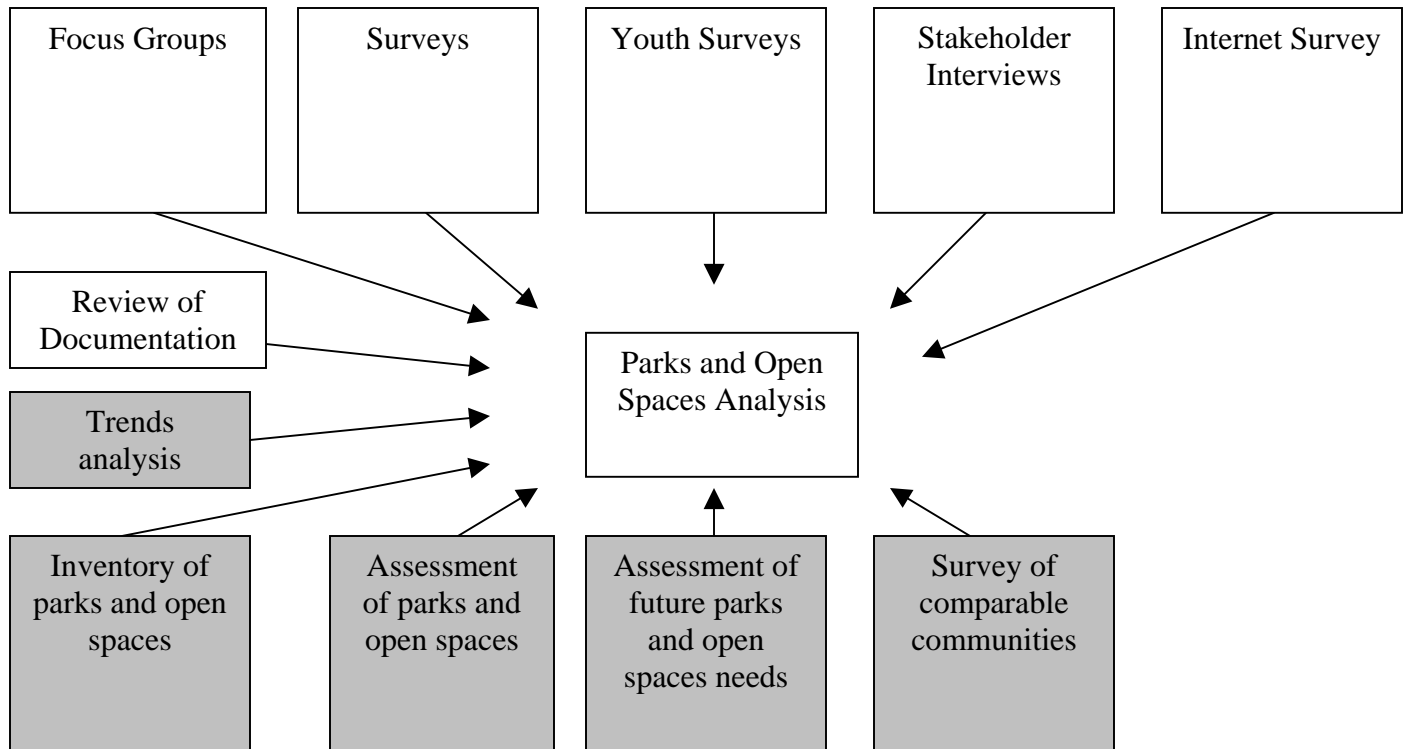
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#### *Parks and Open Space Analysis*

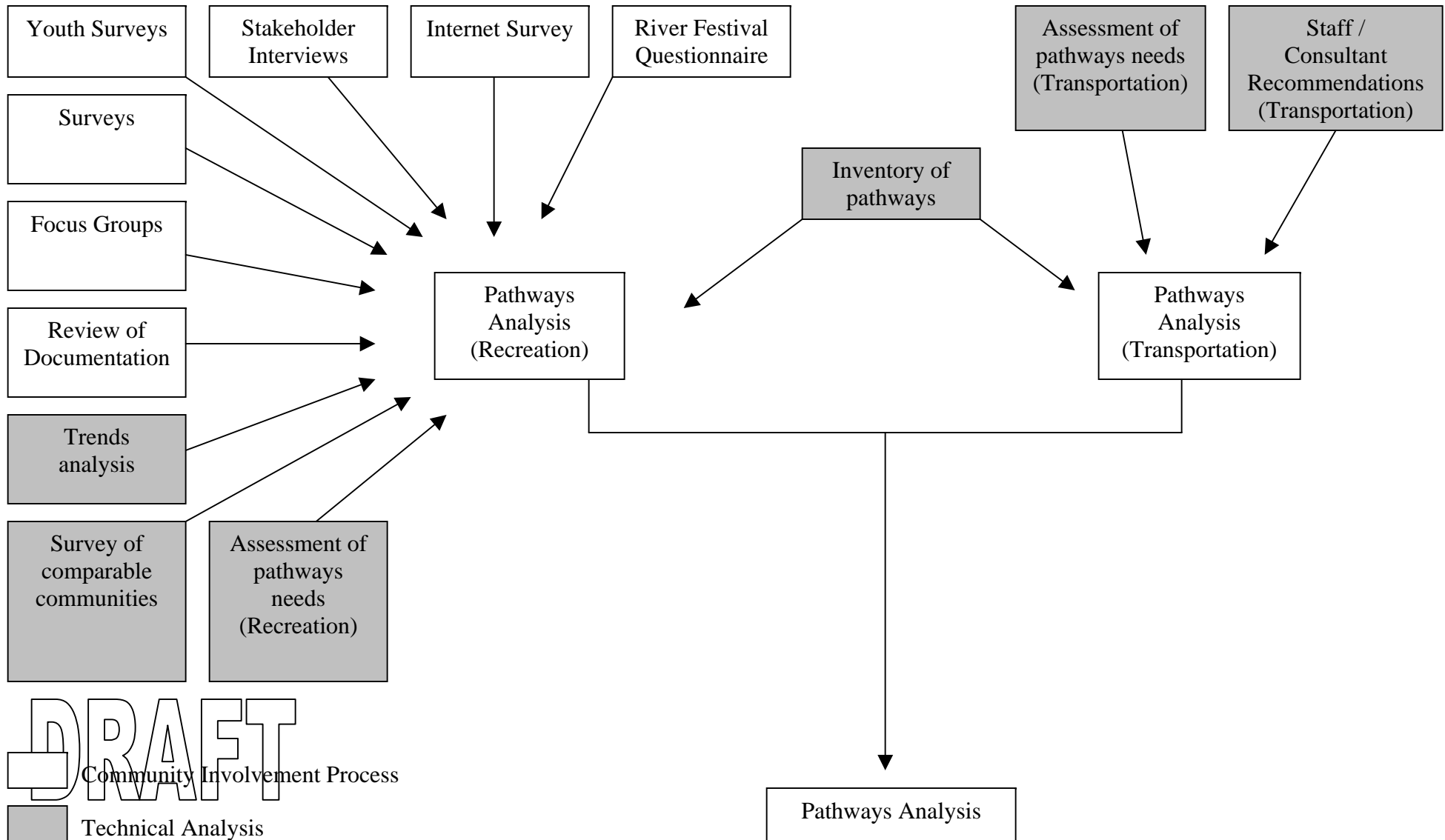


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### *Pathways Analysis*

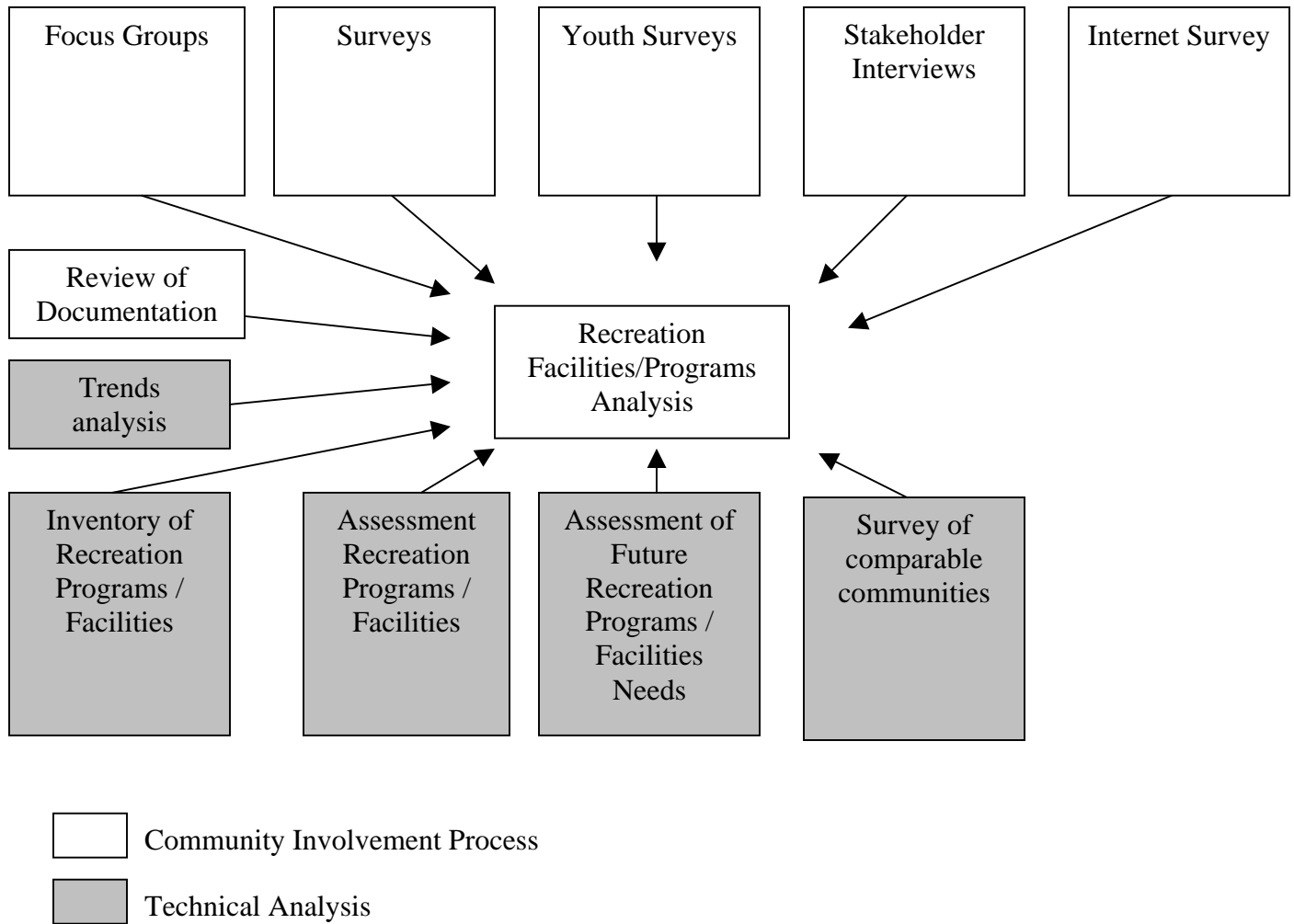


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#### *Recreation Facilities/Programs Analysis*



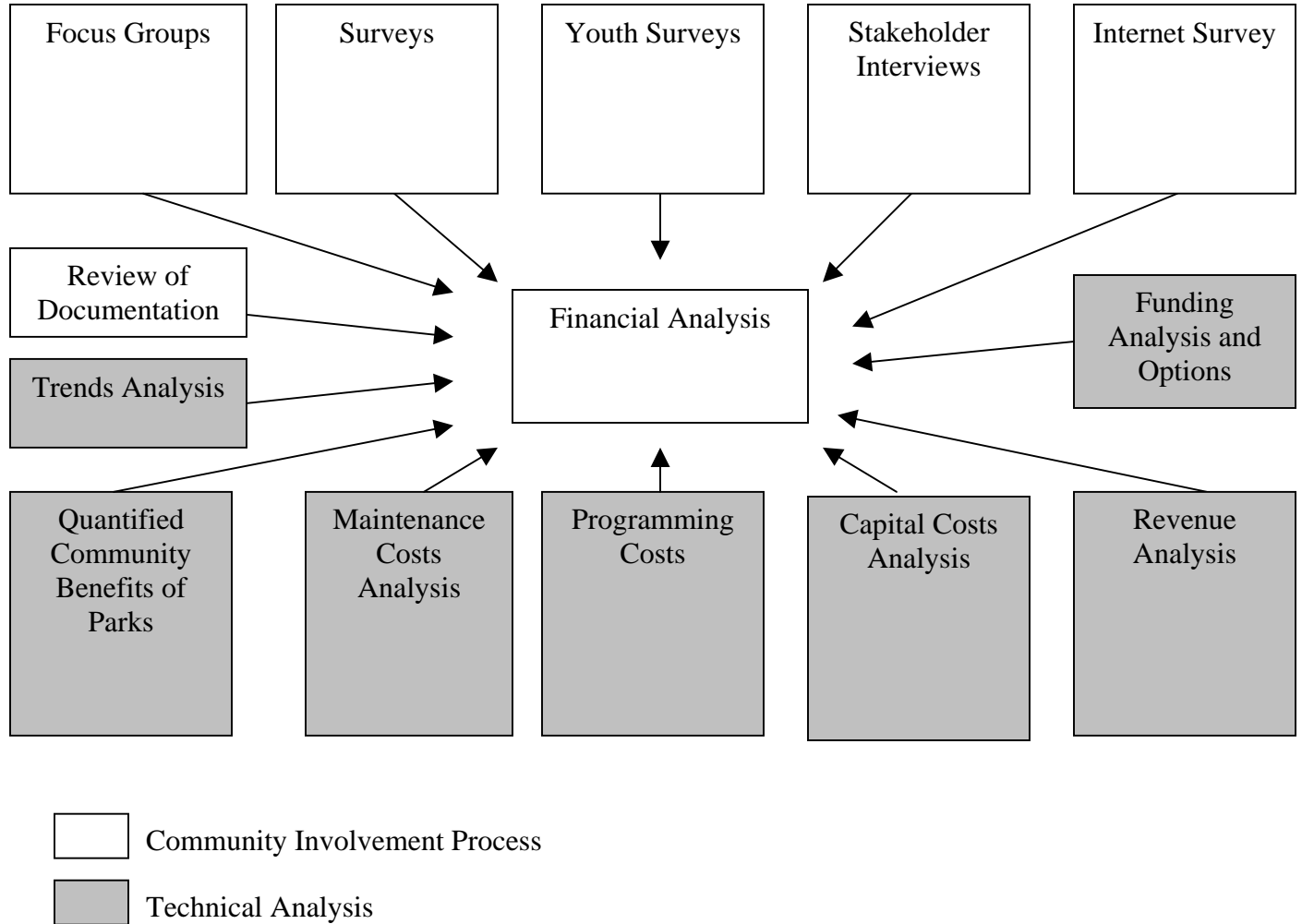
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#### Financial Analysis



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- **1. Executive Summary**
- **2. Introduction**
  - Importance of the park and pathways system
  - Why do a plan?
    - Relationship to the Wichita-Sedgwick County Comprehensive Plan
- **3. Planning Process**
  - Geographic scope
  - Planning process description
    - Community PROS Resources and Needs Assessment Report
    - PROS Plan
    - Project and Priority Plan
- **4. Vision**
  - Vision (what the results will be)
  - Mission (how the Recreation and Park Department will accomplish the vision)
  - Goals (outcomes from implementing the plan)
  - Objectives (what will result in accomplishing the goals of the plan)
  - What strategies are (how to achieve the objectives) – see chapter 7
  - What performance measures are (how to measure community success) – see chapter 7
- **5. Community Resources and Needs Assessment Highlights**
  - Public involvement process highlights
  - Technical report highlights
- **6. Funding Options**
  - Public
  - Private
  - Partnerships
- **7. Implementation**
  - Strategies
  - Implementation matrix
  - Performance measures
- **8. Appendix**
  - History of park planning in Wichita and Sedgwick County – short summary
  - Sedgwick County communities PROS planning
  - Inventory of parks and recreation facilities
  - Inventory of programs
  - Project and Priority Plan

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